

# STATE OF MICHIGAN



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Jennifer M. Granholm  
Governor

## CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

On behalf of the citizens of Michigan, I, Governor Jennifer M. Granholm, do hereby proclaim the week of October 7, 2007, as

### Fire Prevention Week

**Whereas**, More than 3,000 deaths by fire occur nationally every year, with more than 80 percent of them in the home; and,

**Whereas**, In 2006, 139 Michigan citizens lost their lives as a result of fire and hundreds more were injured; and,

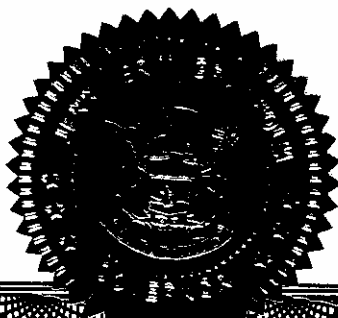
**Whereas**, 86 percent of the 2006 Michigan fire deaths occurred in residential locations; and,

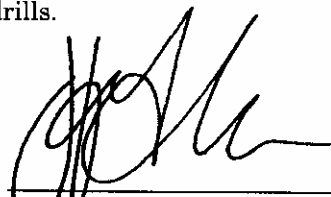
**Whereas**, By having properly located and maintained smoke alarms on every level of your home, and a home escape plan that is practiced with the entire family, you can reduce your chances of dying in a home fire by one-half; and,

**Whereas**, Fire Prevention Week commemorates the Great Chicago Fire of 1871, which killed 250 people, left 100,000 people homeless, and destroyed more than 17,400 buildings; and,

**Whereas**, Michigan fire departments are committed to reducing fire deaths, injuries, and property losses through the education of citizens in fire prevention practices; and now therefore be it,

**Resolved**, That I, Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby proclaim the week of October 7, 2007, as Fire Prevention Week in Michigan. I encourage all citizens to remember the 2007 Fire Prevention Week 2007 caution "Practice Your Escape Plan," and I urge all residents to install and test smoke alarms, and plan and practice fire safety drills.



  
Jennifer M. Granholm  
Governor